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RESIDENTIAL FIRE 668 Hillcrest Street

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 668 Hillcrest Street, Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 1:27 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighter operations began immediately.

Twelve (12) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-eight (28) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief D. Washington was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under

control at 1:43 a.m.

It has been determined that the residence did not have a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$10,000.00 structure and \$5,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be accidental; spilled fuel ignited while the occupant was attempting to refuel a generator in the



garage. There were no reported injuries. Red Cross provided assistance for five adults.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/ or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.